

**SEC. 2. In effect.** This act, being deemed of immediate importance, shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the Iowa State Register, a newspaper published in the city of Des Moines, Polk county, Iowa, and in the Crawford County Bulletin, a newspaper published in the town of Denison, Crawford county, Iowa, both publications to be without expense to the state.

Approved February 21, 1898.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the Iowa State Register February 23, 1898, and in the Crawford County Bulletin March 3, 1898.

G. L. DOBSON,  
*Secretary of State.*

#### CHAPTER 169.

H. F. 85.

**AN ACT** to legalize the acts of the board of directors of the independent school district of Stuart, in the levying of taxes for school purposes.

**WHEREAS,** The board of directors of the independent school district of Stuart, in Guthrie and Adair counties, Iowa on or about the 4th day of August, A. D. 1897, levied a tax upon property within said independent district, for school purposes, levying ten mills on said taxable property for the teachers' fund, one mill for school house fund, and four mills for contingent fund, for the running expenses of the public schools of said independent school district; and

**WHEREAS,** Doubt has arisen concerning the legality of said tax levy, for the reason that the same was not made within the time prescribed by law, and, for the reason that the law was not in all particulars fully complied with in the making, levying and certifying of said tax; therefore,

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:*

**SECTION 1. Certified at wrong time.** That the tax levy and estimate made by the board of directors of the independent school district of Stuart, in Guthrie and Adair counties, Iowa, on or about the 4th day of August, A. D. 1897, to provide funds for the running expenses of the schools of said independent school district, and all of the official acts of the board of directors in connection therewith be, and the same are hereby legalized and made valid and binding for all intents and purposes, the same as though said levy, estimate, and certificate of the same were made in strict conformity with all of the requirements of the law. But nothing in this act shall in any manner affect any pending litigation.

**SEC. 2. In effect.** This act, being deemed of immediate importance, shall be in force and effect from and after its publication in the Des Moines Register, a newspaper published in Des Moines, Iowa, and the Stuart News, a newspaper published in Stuart, Iowa, without expense to the state.

Approved February 21, 1898.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the Des Moines Register February 23, 1898, and in the Stuart News February 24, 1898.

G. L. DOBSON,  
*Secretary of State.*

#### CHAPTER 170.

S. F. 64.

**AN ACT** to legalize a conveyance by the independent school district of Ottumwa, Iowa, to John F. Rugg.

**WHEREAS,** The independent school district of Ottumwa, Iowa, purchased from A. C. Leighton lands on which to erect its new high school building and accepted from him a deed therefor; and,

**WHEREAS,** The board of directors of said district on Jan. 17th, 1898, without being authorized by a vote of the electors of said district, conveyed to John F. Rugg, a lot 60 feet by 165 feet off the southeast side of said grounds,

described as follows: Lot No. 6 in Harlan's subdivision of out lot 22, and of lot No. 1 in A. G. Harrow's addition to the city of Ottumwa, described as follows, to-wit: Commencing at a point on the northeast line of Fourth street in said city fifty feet northwest from the south corner of said lot, No 6 in Harlan's subdivision of out lot 22 in said city; thence in a northeasterly direction at right angles to Fourth street a distance of 165 feet; thence northwest on a line parallel with Fourth street sixty feet; thence southwest on a line at right angles to Fourth street a distance of 165 feet to Fourth street; thence sixty feet to place of beginning; and accepted from said John F. Rugg a deed for the same sized strip on the opposite side of said grounds so as to get a better location for said high school building, therefore,

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:*

**SECTION 1. Unauthorized sale of lots.** That said conveyance by said independent school district of Ottumwa, Iowa, to John F. Rugg, dated Jan. 17th, 1898, be and the same is hereby declared valid and binding, and with the same force and effect as if the execution of said deed had been regularly authorized by a vote of the electors of said district at their annual meeting in March.

**SEC. 2. Pending litigation.** Nothing herein contained shall affect pending litigation.

**SEC. 3. In effect.** This act, being deemed of immediate importance, shall take effect and be in full force from and after its publication in the Iowa State Register, a newspaper published at Des Moines, Iowa, and in the Ottumwa Daily Courier, a newspaper published at Ottumwa, Iowa, such publication to be without expense to the state.

Approved February 21, 1898.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the Iowa State Register, February 23, 1898, and in the Ottumwa Daily Courier, February 25, 1898.

G. L. DOBSON,  
*Secretary of State.*

## CHAPTER 171.

H. F. 249.

AN ACT to legalize the incorporation of the town of Grafton, Worth county, Iowa, the election of its officers and all acts done and ordinances passed by the council of said town.

WHEREAS, Doubts have arisen as to the legality of the incorporation of the town of Grafton, Worth county, Iowa, the election of its officers and the ordinances passed by the town council of said town, therefore,

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:*

**SECTION 1. Declared valid.** That the incorporation of the town of Grafton, Worth county, Iowa, the election of its officers and all the official acts done, and the ordinances passed by the town council of said town, not in contravention with the laws of the state are hereby legalized and the same are hereby declared to be valid and binding the same as though the law had in all respects been strictly complied with in the incorporation of said town, the election of its officers and all the official acts done, and the passage of its ordinances. But nothing in this act shall in any manner affect any pending litigation.

**SEC. 2. In effect.** This act, being deemed of immediate importance, shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the Worth County Index, a newspaper published at Northwood, Iowa, and the Iowa State Register, a newspaper published at Des Moines, Iowa, without expense to the state.

Approved April 7, 1898.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the Worth County Index, May 19, 1898, and in the Iowa State Register, May 24, 1898.

[G. L. DOBSON,  
*Secretary of State.*